

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
OCTOBER 2, 2007**

ITEM 6

SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AN INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT GRANTEE CHANGE FOR THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

DISCUSSION

Proposition 50, the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 was passed by California voters in November 2002. It amended the California Water Code to add, among other articles, Section 79560 et seq., authorizing the Legislature to appropriate funding for Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) projects. The intent of the IRWM Grant Program is to provide funding via competitive grants for projects to protect communities from drought, protect and improve water quality, and improve local water security by reducing dependence on imported water, while encouraging water management on a regional level. Approximately \$412 million is available for IRWM Grants split between the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) and the Department of Water Resources (DWR). Approximately \$183 million is available from the State Water Board's funding allocation.

At their March 20, 2007, meeting, the State Water Board adopted [Resolution No. 2007-0011](#) that approved the Additional IRWM Implementation Grant Funding List totaling \$75,000,000 that included the "Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County" in the amount of \$12,500,000. The "Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County" has since requested the State Water Board's approval to substitute a subsidiary of the Community Foundation as Grantee under the Grant. The subsidiary is a qualified 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, and is called the "Regional Water Management Foundation, a Subsidiary of the Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County." This is being done to preserve the fiscal integrity of the Community Foundation by creating a separate legal entity to receive and administer the Grant funds.

POLICY ISSUE

Should the State Water Board approve the Grantee change from the "Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County" to the "Regional Water Management Foundation, a subsidiary of the Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County?"

FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no fiscal impact by approving the Grantee change.

REGIONAL WATER BOARD IMPACT

None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the State Water Board approve the Grantee change from the "Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County" to the "Regional Water Management Foundation, a subsidiary of the Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County."

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STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2007 –

APPROVAL OF AN INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT GRANTEE CHANGE FOR THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

WHEREAS:

1. Proposition 50, the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 authorizes approximately \$412 million to implement projects that protect communities from drought, protect and improve water quality, and improve local water security by reducing dependence on imported water while encouraging water management on a regional level;
2. On March 20, 2007, the State Water Board adopted [Resolution No. 2007-0011](#) that approved the Additional IRWM Implementation Grant Funding List totaling \$75,000,000 that included the Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County in the amount of \$12,500,000; and
3. A new resolution is required approving the IRWM Grant recipient from the “Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County” to the “Regional Water Management Foundation, a Subsidiary of the Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County.”

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board approves the Northern Santa Cruz County IRWM Grant recipient change from the “Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County” to the “Regional Water Management Foundation, a subsidiary of the Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County.”

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Acting Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on October 2, 2007.

Jeanine Townsend
Acting Clerk to the Board